

To: <airportEIR@longbeach.gov>

Subject: New LGB Terminal

Long Beach City Council Members,

As a Belmont Shore resident and regular user of our Long Beach airport, I urge you to follow your committee's recommendation and implement the expansion of the terminal facilities at our airport. Modernizing and expanding the existing trailers is a distinct difference from expanding airline operations at the airport. As a regular customer of the several airlines using the inadequate space, I know that a modern terminal will greatly appeal to savvy travelers who now balk at using Long Beach in favor of Orange County and even LAX in order to take advantage of the many amenities offered by modern terminals and the sheer amount of time we are required to spend in them due to security timelines. In addition, our city needs an appealing airport to help make up for diminished revenue from Boeing's airfield operations. Do the right thing for our city and bring our airport up to par with other premier airports in our region. Approve a new terminal in Long Beach!

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